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July 26, 2005

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief



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1. NEW PEER SUPPORT TEAM TRAINING

The Peer Support Team has scheduled a class for new members from September 19-22, 2005. The training will be held at the Cincinnati Police Academy.

Peer Support Team members are officers and non-sworn members of the Department who are trained to give support in time of need to members of the Department and their families. Peer Support members have significant life experiences and are willing to share them in a confidential, informal way.

If you are interested in attending the training and becoming a member of the Peer Support Team, please submit a Form 17 through the chain of command to Barry Webb, Peer Support Coordinator, at the Police Academy. Applications must be received by Friday August 26, 2005. Questions may be directed to Barry Webb at 357-7561.

2. OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT/EXTENSION OF POLICE SERVICE RATES FOR 2005-2006

Effective August 1, 2005, the outside employment/extension of police service rates listed below will be in effect.

Outside Employment Rates for 2005-2006

Police Officer/Specialist \$26.50/Hour Sergeant \$29.50/Hour Lieutenant \$34.50/Hour Captain \$39.50/Hour

The increased outside employment/extension of police service rates are a rounded average of the salary rates for 2005-2006.

Any questions may be directed to the Detail Coordination Unit at 564-1881.

3. INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS SECTION CASE INVESTIGATION INFORMATION

Recently, Internal Investigations Section (IIS) completed an investigation into a citizen complaint of excessive force filed by Mr. Roosevelt Drakeford. Upon investigation by IIS, it was determined that Mr. Drakeford made a false allegation. Upon conferring with the City Prosecutor's office, IIS filed one count of ORC 2921.15, Making False Allegation of Peace Officer Misconduct, against Mr. Drakeford. On July 18, 2005, Mr. Drakeford was arrested by District Two officers.

4. INTOXILYZER 5000 TRAINING

Traffic Unit is offering Intoxilyzer 5000 Senior Operator Permit training for interested officers. The training will be held at the Police Academy on Thursday, August 18, 2005, and Friday, August 19, 2005, from 0800-1600 hours. Officers are to appear in the uniform of the day or conservative business attire. The class size is limited to seven officers from each district.

The training will consist of 16 hours of classroom instruction conducted by an instructor from the Ohio Department of Health. Upon successful completion of the training, officers will be issued a permit allowing them to operate the Intoxilyzer 5000. The training is for officers who do not currently hold a permit.

District commanders must submit a Form 17, through the chain of command to the Traffic Unit by August 5, 2005, listing the officers selected to attend this training.

5. SEATBELT/AIR BAG WIRING IN CROWN VICTORIAS

Fleet Management Unit has recently become aware of a problem with air bags on Crown Victoria Police Interceptors being intentionally disconnected at the wiring harness under the driver's seat.

Disconnecting these wires will <u>deactivate</u> the air bag safety feature. It is critically important that these wires are not disconnected. Tampering with this safety system jeopardizes officer safety. In the event of a crash, where the air bag system would have reduced officer injury, the opposite will occur with the potential for serious injuries to the occupants of the vehicle. It is a violation of Section 7.06 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations and Disciplinary Process for the Cincinnati Police Department to disconnect this safety feature.

If the wiring harness has been disconnected, the Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) light is illuminated on the dash. If this light is on, do **not** operate the vehicle. Immediately report this condition to a supervisor who will take the vehicle out of service. The vehicle must be repaired prior to use.

6. REVISION TO THE MANUAL OF RULES AND REGULATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY PROCESS FOR THE CINCINNATI POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following additions to the Manual of Rules and Regulations and Disciplinary Process for the Cincinnati Police Department are effective immediately:

1.16e Members shall not undertake any investigation of an incident in which they are either an active participant or provide supervisory direction to those members involved. The investigation of the incident must be undertaken by a different member of rank higher than the highest ranking member involved. The penalties for violations of this rule are:

- 1st offense Written Reprimand
- 2nd offense Hearing (1-5 days suspension)
- 3rd offense Hearing (5-7 days suspension)
- 4th offense Hearing (7-11 days suspension)
- 7.06 Members shall not tamper with or disable a safety device that would affect the safe operation of any Department owned or operated equipment.

The penalties for violations of this rule are:

- 1st offense Written Reprimand
- 2nd offense Hearing (1-5 days suspension)
- 3rd offense Hearing (5-7 days suspension)
- 4th offense Hearing (7-11 days suspension)

The Manual of Rules and Regulations is available in its entirety on the Intranet and on the Department web page.

7. REVISION OF PROCEDURE 12.010, ROLL CALL AND PERSONNEL INSPECTION

Procedure 12.010, Roll Call and Personnel Inspection, has been revised. Officers are advised that if an unintentional Taser discharge occurs, an immediate investigation must be conducted by the district/section/unit commander or his designee. The designee must be a supervisor of equal or higher rank than the member who had the unintentional discharge. The results of the investigation will be documented on a Form 17 to the Police Chief.

This revision is effective immediately. Personnel should review the procedure in its entirety. The revised procedure is available on the Intranet and on the Department web page.

8. REVISION OF FORM 427, VEHICLE INSPECTION REPORT

Form 427, Vehicle Inspection Report, has been revised. A block has been added to include the daily inspection of seatbelts and related equipment in all Department owned vehicles.

To access the Form 427, open the Microsoft Word program. Select "New" in the file menu, select "General Templates" on the right-hand side of the screen and click on Form 427.

9. THANK YOU LETTERS

<u>Attached</u> to these Staff Notes are several letters of appreciation and praise written to the Police Chief for the professionalism displayed by our Department and specifically the following officers:

Captain Vincent Demasi Sergeant Bill Coombs Sergeant Dave Simpson Police Specialist Dave Feldhaus Police Specialist Pat Moran Police Specialist Kelly Raker Police Officer Jana Cruse Police Officer Steve Edwards Police Officer Terry Peirano Police Officer Steve Fox Police Officer Kim Pendarvis Police Officer Mark Fogel Police Officer Milton Hampton Police Officer Mary Ann Hodge Police Officer Roger Noe Police Officer Mike Roth Police Officer Carlos Sherman

Sergeant Brian Norris Sergeant Joe Priestle Sergeant Rudy Gruenke Police Specialist Mike Flamm Police Specialist Ralph Unger Police Specialist Jason Scott Police Officer Paul Graves Police Officer John J. Neal Police Officer Jeff Schare Police Officer Steve Lawson Police Officer Rob Carpenter Police Officer Betsy Schlanser Police Officer Shannon Heine Police Officer Terry McGuffey Police Officer Scott Radigan Police Officer Matt Thompson Police Officer Scott Krauser

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Judith S. Daniels, M.D., MPH Interim Health Commissioner



COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES 357-7272

July 18, 2005

3101 Burnet Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45229-3098

Environmental Services 357-7201

Counseling and Health Education Services 357-7440

Officer Jana Cruse Cincinnati Police District #4 4150 Reading Rd. Cincinnati, Ohio 45229

Dear Officer Cruse:

Officer Cruse:

Thank you for speaking at the Mt. Auburn Senior Center on June 22, 2005, regarding identity theft. The seniors learned a lot from you and Officer Paul Robb. The challenges presented by you were new and unperceived. It is so refreshing to know that there are Cincinnati Police Officers who are willing to take time out of their busy schedules to tend to our elderly population.

The seniors were excited and had been looking forward to hearing you. As you know, they are the most vulnerable and often the primary targets of those looking for someone of which to take advantage. We hope to be able to use your expertise again around the winter holidays. Again, we thank you and Officer Robb for a wonderful presentation!

WILLA M. SHELBY Public Health Educator

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Chief Thomas Streicher Capt. Richard Schmaltz

Officer Paul Robb



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July 18, 2005

P.O. Steve Edwards Cincinnati Police Department District Three 3201 Warsaw Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45205

Dear Officer Edwards:

Just a short note to offer my sincere thanks for your help with my car on Monday, July 18, at the Harrison Avenue and Westwood Avenue intersection.

As you may recall, my car completely died in the middle lane. It was pretty embarrassing and becoming a possible safety situation for other drivers. Your timely assistance in pushing my vehicle into the McDonald's parking lot ended my embarrassment and my concern for other drivers.

More importantly, you were most courteous and most professional. Your conduct and demeanor were exemplary.

I truly appreciate your thoughtfulness and kindness. In my opinion, you are a great credit to the Cincinnati Police Department and a tremendous positive for the citizens of Cincinnati.

Thank you.

Patrick T. Dinkelacker,

Judge

PTD/ljg

7/15/05

To: Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr. Chief Cincinnati Police Department 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

From: Dr. Susan Rogers-Swaney, DVM
Carmen Kolz, Canine Underwater Treadmill
Jean Pavlakos, Canine Rehab Therapist

Dear Chief Streicher,

We are writing to thank you for the opportunity to treat such an esteemed member of your police force, K9 Maximus. We are proud to be part of his recovery and impressed by the commitment you so obviously have to your staff.

Over the last 3 months of getting to know Officer Neal and Maximus a few things have become very apparent. As representatives of the Cincinnati police force it is clear you have a very professional and committed team that any city would be fortunate to have. These kind of qualities usually emanate from the top down and you should be very proud.

We are especially impressed by your willingness to give Maximus the time and support he needs to recover so in time he can return to duty. It is a sign of great wisdom and compassion. Max has the heart of a warrior and that is not something any amount of physicality can replace.

As with the citizens of Cincinnati, many of our clients have met Maximus and have been following his astounding progress. Officer Neal and Maximus have inspired many distraught owners, helping them to understand that an injury does not have to result in immobility, the end of loved activities, or even euthanasia. All who have met Officer Neal and Maximus are deeply proud of them and anxiously look forward to supporting them as they shine at the upcoming competitions. They compare him to Lance Armstrong - appearing down and out but as a champion, has the stuff to meet the health challenge, conquer it and go on to win big time.

Over the years your police force has unfortunately been under some significant scrutiny, but your handling of Max's injury, and willingness to stand by him for the service he has provided your citizens is commendable and an example for all

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Rogers-Swaney, DVM

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Jean Pavlakos, BS

CC: Officer John Neal (Hard copy to follow)



POUCE DEPARTMENT
934 Nees Road
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POLICE FIDMINISTRATION 513/922-0060 Fax 513/922-0127

Chief Thomas Streicher Cincinnati Police Division 310 Ezzard Charles Dr. Cincinnati, Ohio 45214 July 20, 2005

Dear Tom,

On Monday July 11, 2005, Officer Adam Cox of our department was involved in an on duty shooting. I contacted your Criminal Investigation Section and asked for assistance with Total Station and for Peer Support since we had no active officers on our department who had been involved in a police shooting. We received great support and excellent suggestions during our investigation.

Capt. Vince Demasi was spoken with and offered any assistance we may have needed. Sgt. Joseph Priestle responded to the scene and was a great asset to me and our department. Members of the traffic squad responded with Total Station and Officer Terry Peirano offered support to Officer Cox.

I want to thank you for your department's support to us in our time of need. I have a list of the officers I know were involved and I hope I do not miss one. Please thank them again for us. They were very professional. Our Township officials and citizens have expressed great support to Officer Cox and our police department. Your department contributed to this event and we share our community support with your department.









POUCE DEPRATMENT 934 Neer Road Deith Township Cincinnati, Ohio 45233 Police Administration 513/922-0060 Fax 513/922-0127

The Cincinnati officers involved were:

Traffic: Sgt. Bill Coombs, PO Mark Fogel, PO Steven Fox, PS Michael Flamm & PO Stephen Lawson.

Criminalistics: Sgt. Rudy Gruenke, PS Pat Moran, PS Ralph Unger, PO Kim Pendarvis, & PO Rob Carpenter.

CIS: Sgt. Joseph Priestle, Sgt. Dave Simpson, PS Dave Feldhaus & PO Jeff Schare.

I'm not sure of PO Terry Peirano's assignment.

If there is anything we can ever do for you or your department please do not hesitate to call. The co-operation between departments makes for stronger law enforcement for the citizens of Hamilton County.

Sincerely,

John D. Coletta Chief of Police





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July 12, 2005

Chief Thomas H. Striecher 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Chief Striecher:

As President of the Real Estate Investor Association of Cincinnati (REIA) and on behalf of our Board, and all of our members I would like to thank you, the Cincinnati Police Department and especially P. S. Kelly Raker, of the Street Corner Unit, for her wonderful presentation for REIA on July 7, 2005 entitled Drug Eviction Education.

- P. S. Raker explained not only the responsibilities of property owners, but offered hope and the resources necessary for us to combat drug activity in our communities. In reviewing the speaker surveys she scored "above average" and "exceptional" in all categories:
 - Was speaker on topic?
- How good a speaker was the presenter?
- Was the topic of interest to you?
- How valuable was the session for your investment goals?

In response to the final question, "Should we invite the speaker again in the future?" all respondents indicated "Yes" and "Definitely".

Everyone needs to hear her message if only to recognize the signs of drug activity. Judy, my wife, and I heard P.S. Raker speak in Kennedy Heights this spring and knew she would be an asset for our group.

REIA is a non-profit, volunteer-run, education organization. With over a 1,000 members we are diversified across age, gender, economic and cultural lines. What our members have in common is a desire to learn and better themselves. As property owners and investors I don't think you'll find a group more appreciative of this education and supportive of our local police.

REIA is a strong supporter of city leadership that focuses on crime reduction, increasing safe housing opportunities and improving education. All three are required to improve the economic future of Cincinnati. P. S. Raker's presentation addresses the first two.

Please thank everyone involved for making this valuable program available.

Sincerely

Ray Nichols, President

P.S. If our organization can help you and your fellow officers please do not hesitate to call.

CC:

Mayor Luken

Vice-Mayor Reece

Cincinnati City Council

Cincinnati City Manager Lemmie

July 15, 2005

Chief of Police Captain Thomas Streicher 310 Ezzard Drive Cincinnati, OH, 45207

Re: Officer Betsy Schlanser Mounted Patrol

Dear Captain Streicher

On July 1st, 2005 we were traveling on holiday, lost in the downtown area of the inner city and had a flat tire. We discover we have left our cell phone in the hotel room, and then realize our flat tire has a safety device that breaks off. So there we are, no ability to change our tire, and no cell phone. In the meantime the entire neighborhood has gathered and one of the neighbors has offered their cell phone to call AAA. We were really impressed at how nice and helpful the folks were. Triple AAA was an hour away and the people we were scheduled to have dinner with were waiting at the restaurant, when around the corner comes the mounted police, Betsy Schlanser and her horse Theo. She loaned us her personal cell phone to call our friends, and stayed with us until they arrived, making sure we were safe.

We were soon on our way thanks to the generous people of Cincinnati and the professional help offered by Officer Betsy Schlanser.

We wish to extend our sincere appreciation to the Cincinnati Police and a very special thank you to Officer Betsy Schlanser for making our visit to your city a very pleasant experience.

Have a safe and happy summer.

Bob and Sharon Jackson Port Washington, WI



St. Lawrence Church

3680 Warsaw Avenue Cincinnati, Ohio 45205 (513) 921–0328

July 13, 2005

Col. Thomas H. Streicher, Jr. District I Police 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Tom,

The following officers were on detail at our summer festival: Mark Fogel, Milton Hampton, Shannon Heine, Mary Hodge, Terry McGuffey, Roger Noe, Brian Norris, Scott Radigan, Michael Roth, and Matthew Thompson.

I would like to commend them to you for the service they provided. We had a very successful and trouble-free festival and I appreciate the security that these officers provided. In addition, Captain Andrew Raabe made additional officers available in the area which added to the security and we are grateful.

Sincerely,

Rev. Ralph A. Westerhoff

Pastor

RAW/phb

Consuello S. Hudson Crisis Intervention Specialist





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July 14, 2005

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Chief Thomas Streicher; Cincinnati Police Divison 310 Ezzard Charles Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Dear Chief Streicher,

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This is a letter of appreciation for Police Officer Carlos Sherman badge #761 of District 4. On July 13, 2005 Police Officer Sherman spoke with women and their children at our domestic violence support group and a group for children who witness violence in the family / homes. Last night eleven women attended our group and five children were present for Children Who Witness Violence Support Group.

Both groups were very impressed with Officer Sherman's presentation. A sample of the remarks written on the evaluations: "I'm very impressed with the Officer's professionalism, kindness, empathy, great listening skills" and "I now have a better understanding of the Officer's role in a domestic violence dispute and its aftermath.'

The last fifteen minutes Officer Sherman interacted with the five children. Officer Sherman sat down to where he was on their visual level and listened to what they had to say. The children have all been told by the abusers that police are bad, by the time Officer Sherman left they all had a very different feeling about Police Officers and how they are here to help serve and protect us.

I believe Officer Sherman, truly exhibits the remarks made by the women in the group, and this is a direct reflection of your leadership and of his Captain Richard Schmalz, Lt Mack, Sgt Reed and Taylor and the training he has received.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

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Crisis Intervention Specialist

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PS JASON SOUTT

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This is a big thank you to the Cincinnati Police.

On Tuesday, June 28, we were hit by a flying sewer cover on southbound I 71, just south of Smith Edwards Rd., resulting in major damage to the windshield, hood, fender, and drivers door. With the grace of God no one was hurt. Several other cars had hit the cover, resulting in broken axels and/or flat tires.

Scott, a Cincinnati Policeman(bike patrol) from District 3 was driving by and stopped to help. He was extremely helpful in arranging for all the necessary tows, etc.

Thanks again to Scott.

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June 30, 2005

H.A. Musser, Jr. MA, MSW, LISW Executive Director

Dear Officer Krauser,

The Santa Maria Lower Price Hill Advisory Board sincerely appreciates the excellent drug lab presentation that you provided at our meeting on June 13, 2005.

We wish to thank you for your thoughtful delivery. We received many compliments that were meant for you. A number of residents became more aware of things to pay attention to and how everyday items may become suspect under certain circumstances.

We apologize for our ineptitude concerning our PowerPoint equipment. Although there was the equipment problem, you forged ahead in such a professional manner and did a great job.

Again, many thanks for your service to the LPH community, and LPH Santa Maria Community Services.

Sincerely,

Barbara McCauley,

Community Organizer, LPH Santa Maria Community Services, Inc.

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